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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

1. On this date I furnished Hal Ford of the SSCI Staff a copy of the attached chronology on the abortive NIE on Iran. I explained that the original chronology prepared by NIO/NESA, which he had requested, contained fairly lengthy quotes from various drafts of the Estimate. After discussing the matter with John Helgerson and [redacted] we felt DCI approval would be required. We also felt that the DCI might want to seek approval from State and DIA because they produced some of the drafts quoted. [redacted]

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2. Ford was much appreciative of the shortened chronology which he said would serve his purposes. He anticipated no effort would be made to free the more complete version. He asked that the short chronology be sent to SSCI. I agreed. [redacted]

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[redacted]  
Chief, Congressional Support Staff/NFAC

Attachment:  
As stated

cc: NIO/NESA  
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